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Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, certain employers have initiated a practice of charging job seekers a fee for applying for employment; and

Whereas, this practice appears to take advantage of individuals actively attempting to obtain employment in a period of recession and unusually high joblessness; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

26 MRSA §594 is enacted to read:

§594. Charge by an employer for an application for employment

It is unlawful for an employer to assess a fee or charge a prospective employee in any fashion for requesting, submitting, filing or completing an application for employment with that employer. Any employer who violates this section shall be liable to a penalty of not more than \$500 for each violation. It is the duty of the director to enforce this section.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective February 24, 1984.

CHAPTER 628

H.P. 1408 - L.D. 1830

AN ACT to Clarify the Fair Apportionment of the Cost of Canceled Generating Facilities. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

35 MRSA $\S52-A$, sub- $\S2$, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 243, $\S1$, is amended to read:

2. Exception. This section does not apply to any abandoned or canceled electrical generating facility for which the commission has authorized a recovery of any portion of the costs of that facility from ratepayers prior to the effective date of this section. This section also does not apply to the abandonment or cancellation of any electrical generating facility due to existing or anticipated existence of small power production or cogeneration as defined in chapter 172.

Effective July 25, 1984.

CHAPTER 629

H.P. 1557 - L.D. 2056

AN ACT to Amend the Statutes Governing the Licensing of Children's Homes.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §8101, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 260, §4, is amended to read:

3. Family foster home. "Family foster home" means a children's home that is a private dwelling where substitute parental care is provided within a family on a regular, 24-hour a day, residential basis. The total number of children in care may not exceed 6, including the family's legal children under 16 years of age, with no more than 2 of these children under the age of 2. In order to keep siblings together, this definition shall not prohibit the placement of more than the allowed number.

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §8107 is enacted to read:

§8107. Exceptions

The following exceptions to placement, as defined in section 8101, shall apply.